	Drugs formulations	Elective date	Notification
11.	Fixed dose combination of Nalidixic acid with any anti-amoebics including Metronidazole	Jan. 1, 2002	GSR 170 (E) dt. 12-3-01
12.	Fixed dose combination of Loperamide Hydrochlopride with Furazolidone	Jan. 1, 2002	GSR 170 (E) dt. 12-3-01
13.	Fixed dose combination of Cyproheptadine, with Lysine or Peptone	Jan. 1,2002	GSR 170 (E) dt. 12-3-01

US Herbal Medicine for Diabetes

3677. SHRI YADLAPATI VENKAT RAO : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a US company named U.S. Botanical Limited has launched an Ayurvedic medicine 'Herbal Supplement' time tested medicine in India that claims to restore blood sugar level of diabetics;

(b) if so, whether this medicine is easily available in the country; and

(c) the steps taken to make this medicine available to diabetes patients throughout the country?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. P. THAKUR) : (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Recognised Blood Bank in Andhra Pradesh

3678. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of recognized blood banks presently operating in different parts of Andhra Pradesh, district-wise;

(b) whether there is shortage of blood in the State; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to ensure that the blood banks in the State adhere to rational blood banking in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA) : (a) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House. (*See* below)

(b) and (c) There is no overall shortage of blood in the State, though there could be seasonal and occasional shortages. For generating enough blood

through Voluntary Blood Donation, Government of India have taken a number of steps such as campaign through TV, AIR and newspapers, developing IEC material for one to one communication, observation of National Blood Donation Day on 1st October every year, launching of special campaigns to educate masses to support voluntary donations and encouraging rational use of blood among clinicians. A National guideline for Rational use of Blood has been prepared and widely circulated. NACO has already set up one Blood Component Separation Facility in the State during Phase-I of National AIDS Control Programme and in Phase-II three centres have been identified for setting up of Blood Component Separation Facilities.

Statement

No. of Licensed Blood Banks in Andhra Pradesh

Sl. No.	Name of District	Total
1.	Srikakulam	1
2.	Vizianagaram	3
3.	Visakhapatnam	8
4.	East Godavari	5
5.	West Godavari	6
6.	Krishna	8
7.	Guntur	7
8.	Prakasham	4
9.	Nellore	5
10.	Cuddapah	4
11.	Kurnool	3
12.	Chittor	9
13.	Ananthapur	4
14.	Warangal	6
15.	Karimnagar	4
16.	Khammam	8
17.	Adilabad	4
18.	Nalgonda	3
19.	Medak	2
20.	Rangareddy	4
21.	Nizamabad	4
22.	Mahaboobnagar	1
23.	Hyderabad	47
	TOTAL :	150